

Regulatory Language

Section 27.80, Title 14, CCR is amended to read:

§27.80. Salmon.

(a) Methods of take:

(1) General Provisions. Only by angling as defined in Section 1.05. No sinkers or weights exceeding four pounds may be used, except that a fishing line may be attached to a sinker or weight of any size if such sinker or weight is suspended by a separate line and the fishing line is released automatically by a mechanical device from the sinker or weight when any fish is hooked. See sections 1.74, 28.65 and 28.70.

(2) Barbless Hooks. No more than two (2) single point, single shank barbless hooks shall be used in the ocean north of Point Conception (34°27'00" N. lat.) when salmon fishing or fishing from any boat or floating device with salmon on board.

(3) Other Hook Restrictions. When fishing with bait in the ocean between Horse Mountain (40°05'00" N. lat.) and Point Conception, if angling by any other means than trolling, then no more than two (2) single point, single shank, barbless circle hooks shall be used. The distance between the two hooks must not exceed five inches when measured from the top of the eye of the top hook to the inner base of the curve of the lower hook, and both hooks must be permanently tied in place (hard tied). A circle hook is defined as a hook with a generally circular shape, and a point which turns inwards, pointing directly to the shank at a 90 degree angle. Trolling is defined as angling from a boat or floating device that is making way by means of a source of power, other than drifting by means of the prevailing water current or weather conditions. See Section 28.65(g).

(4) One Rod Restriction north of Point Conception. Salmon may be taken by angling with no more than one rod in ocean waters north of Point Conception. See Section 28.65(e).

(b) Season:

~~(1) South of Pigeon Point (37°11'00" N. lat.). All waters of the ocean south of Pigeon Point are open to salmon fishing from April 2, 2005 through September 25, 2005 (Note: In 2006, the season will open April 1, the first Saturday in April).~~

~~(2) Between Point Arena (38°57'30" N. lat.) and Pigeon Point. All waters of the ocean between Point Arena and Pigeon Point are open to fishing from April 2, 2005 through November 13, 2005 (Note: In 2006, the season will open April 1, the first Saturday in April).~~

~~(3) Between Horse Mountain and Point Arena. All waters of the ocean between Horse Mountain and Point Arena are open to salmon fishing from February 12, 2005, the Saturday nearest February 15, through July 10, 2005; July 16 through July 17, 2005; and July 23, 2005 through November 13, 2005, the Sunday nearest November 15 (Note: In 2006, the season will open February 18, the Saturday nearest February 15).~~

~~(4) North of Horse Mountain and Humboldt Bay. All waters of the ocean north of Horse Mountain and Humboldt Bay are open to salmon fishing from May 21, 2005 through July 4, 2005 and August 14, 2005 through September 11, 2005 (Note: In 2006, the season will be decided in April by the Pacific Fishery Management Council and California Fish and Game Commission and the section will be amended pursuant to the regulatory process).~~

~~Exception: The ocean area surrounding the Klamath River mouth bounded on the north by 41°38'48" N. lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles north of the Klamath River mouth), on the south by 41°26'48" N. lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles south of the Klamath River mouth), and extending 3 nautical miles offshore is closed to salmon~~

~~fishing between August 1 and August 31. No salmon may be taken at any time in ocean waters at the mouths of the Smith and Klamath rivers and during August and September at the mouth of the Eel River. See Section 27.75.~~

(1) North of Horse Mountain (40°05'00" N. lat.) and Humboldt Bay. All waters of the ocean north of Horse Mountain and Humboldt Bay are open to salmon fishing from May 15, 2006 through July 4, 2006 and September 1 through September 6, 2006. (Note: In 2007, the season will be decided in April by the Pacific Fishery Management Council and California Fish and Game Commission and the section will be amended pursuant to the regulatory process).

Exception: The ocean area surrounding the Klamath River mouth bounded on the north by 41°38'48" N lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles north of the Klamath River mouth), on the south by 41°26'48" N. lat. (approximately 6 nautical miles south of the Klamath River mouth), and extending 3 nautical miles offshore is closed to salmon fishing between August 1 and August 31. No salmon may be taken at any time in ocean waters at the mouths of the Smith and Klamath rivers and during August and September at the mouth of the Eel River. See Section 27.75.

(2) Between Horse Mountain and Point Arena (38°57'30" N. lat.). All waters of the ocean between Horse Mountain and Point Arena are open to salmon fishing from February 18, 2006 through June 4, 2006; June 7 through June 11, 2006; June 14 through June 18, 2006; June 21 through June 25, 2006; June 28, 2006 through July 9, 2006; July 15 through July 16, 2006; July 22 through July 23, 2006; and July 26, 2006 through November 12, 2006. (Note: In 2007, the season will open February 17).

(3) Between Point Arena and Pigeon Point (37°11'00" N. lat.). All waters of the ocean between Point Arena and Pigeon Point are open to fishing from April 1, 2006 through June 11, 2006; June 14, 2006 through July 9, 2006; and July 12, 2006 through November 12, 2006 (Note: In 2007, the season will open April 7).

(4) Between Pigeon Point and Point Sur (36°18'00" N. lat.). All waters of the ocean between Pigeon Point and Point Sur are open to salmon fishing from April 1, 2006 through September 24, 2006 (Note: In 2007, the season will open April 7).

(5) South of Point Sur. All waters of the ocean south of Point Sur are open to salmon fishing from April 1, 2006 through September 24, 2006 (Note: In 2007, the season will open April 7).

(c) Limit:

(1) Two salmon per day. See subsection (c)(2) below and Section 1.17.

(2) Statewide Silver (coho) Salmon Restrictions: No silver (coho) salmon may be retained.

(d) Minimum size:

(1) North of Horse Mountain: Twenty-four inches total length.

(2) South of Horse Mountain: Twenty inches total length. ~~(Note: In 2006, the season will open with a minimum size of twenty inches total length).~~

NOTE

Authority cited: Sections 200, 202, 205, 220, 240, 316.5 and ~~2084 and 7894~~, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 200, 202, 205, 316.5, and 2084, Fish and Game Code.